

Groundbreaking Ceremony for the Nizhyn Hospital Project

Nizhyn, Ukraine, 23 February 2026 – This Monday, representatives of Ellipse Projects and the French Healthcare Association were in Nizhyn, Ukraine, for the official groundbreaking ceremony of a new hospital building. The event took place in the presence of the Ukrainian Minister of Health – Viktor Kyrylovych Liachko, the municipal authorities of the City and members of the hospital staff.

The Nizhyn project consists of the turnkey construction and full equipment of a new 6,000 m² hospital building dedicated to emergency and surgical care within the municipal hospital, which serves a population of 215,000 inhabitants. Designed as a prefabricated steel structure combining quality, durability and rapid deployment, the facility will include six operating theatres, an intensive care unit, a laboratory, a central sterilisation unit, an imaging department and an additional capacity of 100 inpatient beds (current capacity: 515 beds). Built in compliance with the highest European quality standards, the project will be delivered within a maximum timeframe of 36 months, including a comprehensive training component for hospital staff.

Active in Ukraine since 2022, Ellipse Projects has been working closely with the Ukrainian Ministry of Health, in coordination with the French Healthcare Association, to support the reconstruction and modernisation of hospital infrastructure. The reconstruction of Nizhyn Hospital forms part of the healthcare projects implemented in Ukraine under the French “Ukraine Fund,” with coordination ensured by French Healthcare Association. This initiative is intended to support the restoration and equipping of critical healthcare infrastructure, in order to address the country’s most pressing needs and provide direct, sustainable benefits to populations affected by the conflict. This long-term cooperation reflects a shared commitment to strengthening the resilience of Ukraine’s healthcare system.

“We are very pleased to see the launch of the reconstruction of Nizhyn Hospital, a €35 million project. It is one of the many initiatives funded by France to provide concrete support to the resilience of Ukraine’s healthcare system.” – Muriel Lacoue-Labarthe, special Envoy of the President of the French Republic for assistance to Reconstruction and Recovery of Ukraine.

“We would like to express our sincere gratitude to the French Government for its consistent and multifaceted support to Ukraine, both at the national level and within local communities. In particular, the Nizhyn community has previously received technical assistance in the form of medical equipment through French government support programmes.

Today’s event is especially important for us – the construction of the new facility is critically needed, given that the hospital has cluster status and serves not only the residents of Nizhyn but also people from surrounding communities. A new hospital has been a long-standing dream of Nizhyn’s residents for decades, and today this vision is finally becoming a reality.” – Iryna Grozenko, deputy mayor of Nizhyn.



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About French Healthcare Association

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Interior view of the existing Nizhyn Hospital.



From left to right: Oleh Kacher – acting general director of the hospital ; Sherstiuk Zhanna – Deputy head of Chernihiv regional military administration ; Viktor Liashko – Minister of Health ; Muriel Lacoue-Labarthe – Special Envoy of the President of the French Republic for assistance to Reconstruction and Recovery of Ukraine ; Iryna Grozenko – Deputy mayor of Nizhyn ; Frank Simonet – Sales Director of Ellipse Projects.